# **NEW REPUBLIC PLAY** IS SPARKLING FARCE

"Good Gracious Annabelle" Abounds in Bright Speeches and Spontaneity.

CLEVER CAST PROVIDED

Clare Kummer, Musical Composer, Makes Her First Bow as a Dramatist.

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There was a promising combination of talents in the performance of "Good Gracious Annabelle" at the Republic Theatre last night. Clare Kummer. known as a successful composer of musical numbers, was making her first appearance as a playwright under the artlatte direction of Arthur Hopkins, who had called on the services of Robert E. Jones to supply the interesting scenic investiture which he has shown himself able to provide for previous plays. The three acts of what Mr. Hopkins described on the programme no more specifically than as "a new play" pass in the Hotel St. Swithin, and in two parts of a Long Island estate so remote as the servants' hall and the garden of a

The first act of the "new play" which turned out to be a light and whimsical farce so cleverly and artistically produced by Mr. Hopkins that it might almost have passed as comedy of the least truthful type, showed an impecunious group of artists, writers and others awaiting their luncheon in the halls of a hotel, which could not have been far from Washington Square, whatever its day in the home of her mother in Mont-name may have been.

In the second act this irresponsible crew has found refuge in the servants all of the country house on Long Islandaries and the innocent corespondent in a divorce suit thought that such an asylum would be beneficial to all of them for a while. The owner, constitutionally inebriated, but with an unfailing sense of humor, was supposed to have started on a trip to the West of several months duration. This not only helped out the lot of the suddenly engaged servants, but kept the piece of the polite of the polite. The polite of the polit

well within the region of fantastic farce.
There it stuck in spite of the polite manner of its performance.
The first act was irresistibly amusing. Miss Kummer writes most happy and sparking dialogue. It is, moreover, "fly" to a degree that appeals strongly to the all wise New Yorker. The first half of the play kept the audience in almost constant laughter. There were spontanelty and freshness in the dialogue which provided a welcome contrast to the shallow and machine made wit which is so often the excuse for plays of this sind.

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Denneville Seeley, also Mrs. Edwin S. Cramp, mother of the bride-elect. After dinner other guests came for vaudeville and dancing.

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# DIED.

DURYEA - Suddenly, on Monday, October 30, 1916, Eliza F., wife of Albert E. Funeral services at her late residence

114 South Broadway, Nyack, N. Y., Thursday, November 2, at 3 P. M. Train leaves Jersey City 1:29 P. M. via Erie Railroad. LUBY.—On Monday, October 36, Emily Louise, wife of James Luby and daugh-ter of the late John J Huber. Funeral services at 30 Clifton place, Jer-

sey City, on Wednesday, November 1, at 11 o'clock A. M. Interment private.

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MUNN.—On Sunday, October 13, 1916, in
the \$2d year of her age, Mary A.

Munn, wife of the late Benjamin Munn
and mother of Adelene Munn.

Puneral services at All Angels Church,
West End avenue and Eighty-first
street, on Wednesday, November 1, at

MILLFORD .- On Sunday, October 29, 1916 Armstrong Mulford, in his 53d year. Puneral services at his late home, 123 Natherwood avenue, Plainfield, N. Weinesday, November 1, at 2:30 a dark. Interment Hillside Cemetery. PECKHAM .- On October 39, 1918, Annie rtsen Reasley, widow of

H Perkham. All recknam, funeral service at her residence, 655 Madhaon avenue, on Thursday, November 2, ut 9:20 A. M. Interment at Albanx, N. Y.

PETTES In Milford, Conn., on Octobe Henry Bass Petter, the well knows art dealer passed away at his home in Mutard, Conn.

Phillips -Suddenly, on October 30, at Phelps, in the forty-fourth year of his

Funeral services will be held at 10:15 Thursday morning at the Huguenot Memorial Church, Pelham Manor, N. Y. Conveyances will meet train leaving Grand Central depot at 9:18 A. M. Kindly omlt flowers.

SCOTT -On Monday, October 20, 1916. Frances M Macmanus, wife of Louis Requiem mass at St. Gabriel's Church,

New Rochelle, N. Y., on Wednesday, November 1, at 10:30 A. M. Interment private. Please omit flowers. SILVERMAN.—Katherine. Remains lying in state "The Funeral Church," Broadway, Sixty-sixth and Sixty-seventh

the kitchen of the great house in the country, there was no change in them. It was no longer certain that they were poets, painters and young persons enjoying the great adventure of life for the first time.

The heroine grew in self confidence and in charm. The returned host was as intoxicated as he had been when the audience met him first. The character of the generous millionaire from the West did not show any new phases, but he was by this time in the dramatic phase of the play, which was to restore to the heroine two shares of stock that imparted to their possessor the controlling interest in a great mining property.

But this was the faint dramatic intrigue of the piece. It was not comparable in importance to the fresh wit and imagination of the talk in the earlier scenes. There was not then to some of scenes. There was not then to some of the spectators sufficient climacteric in-terest in "Wood Gracious Annabelle" after the second act reached its medial

Is Novel and Refreshing. Miss Kummer has written, however, a novel and refreshing play, Mr. Hopkins has "produced" it most intelligently and in accordance with the illusions that denand naturalness and restraint in such fantastic playing rather than theatrical exaggeration. Mr. Jones's scenes—espe-cially the lobby of the Hotel S. Swithin are artistic, and in the case of the first act accomplish their effect by unusual means. Thus the manner of acting the play is beyond reproach.

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In the acting there were to be observed varied schools. May Vokes of course played her usual pathetic and helpless domestic drudge, who is also knowing and always cemic through her ability to look after herself in every situation. Then she had her own little scene of inebriety. Lola Fisher, after her appailing provincialisms of accent ceased to offend the ear, proved a charming and resourceful coincilence who preserved the right medium between sophistication and innocence.

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Edwin Nicander as the inchristed milliconaire and Walter Hampden as the Western miner provided two contrastingly amusing character studies. William Holland, Harry Ingram and J. Palmer Collins were altogether adequate in the older manner of the theatre. Ruth Harding when she had anything to act was distinguished, and with Roland Young and Walter Schellin provided the newer examples of holding the mirror up to nature. examples of holding the mirror up to

# YVETTE GUILBERT SCORES U. S. STAGE

Famous French Actress Says American Managers Are of Poor Quality.

CONSERVATORY BIG NEED KEEN POLITICAL STUDENT

Pretty Actresses Enunciate Death in Rochester Hospital Like Something Between Frog and Parrot.

The American stage got a pretty seto them Mile. Guilbert spoke, as she said, "not in a sentiment of criticism but like an old sister."

The first frouble with the American

stage, according to Mile. Guilbert, is the

### Bad Pronunciation in America.

William Gillette, who is rarely seen in the theatre nowadays, sat in a box and watched the performance with evident amusement. Miss Kummer is his cousin and some of the family talent certainly seems to be hers.

NOTES OF THE SOCIAL WORLD.

Miss Ethel Du Bols, daughter of Mrs. Cornellus Du Bols, will be married.

# ARCHIE FOWLER OF "SUN" STAFF DEAD

Was Head of Washington Bureau and Friend of Nation's Most Noted Men.

Caused by Progressive Heart Lesion.

Archie Fowler-to use the familiar vere dressing down at the hands of name of Elting Alexander Fowler, head Yvette Guilbert yesterday, but so charm- of THE SUN Washington Bureau, by ingly did she utter her strictures, with which newspaper men, Princeton alumni such disarming smiles and gestures, that the audience that packed the Helasco Theatre to hear her listened with delight and chamored for more. It was a meeting of the Drama League of America, and official Washington, from Presidents down, knew him—died in the New Hahnemann Hospital at Rochester, N. Y., yesterday as the result of heart and Y, yesterday as the result of heart and curl outward. kidney affections, which had confined him to the hospital for a month.

Back in his prep school days at An dover. Mr. Fowler had made a name for poor quality of the managers are men of letters, but here," she laughed in her quaint broken English, "they are men who have—what you call?—shined the boots. • himself in athletics, but by the time he was ready to enter Princeton a heart lesise had developed which barred him from track or field work as a wearer of the Orange and Black. Four years of fron track of field work as a wearer of the Orange and Black. Four years of college work and more than thirteen years of particularly efficient newspaper work were accorded him, but always the heart lesion was progressive until his death.

H. Taft for The Sun in 1998. Then in the fourth of the college with the college of the college o

Presidents His Friends.

Presidents of the United States—Wilson, Rooseveit and Taft—Foreign Ambassadors and other members of diplomatic corps, Cabinet officers Senators, Representatives, bankers of international reputation here and in Washington, newspaper men from all over the United States, noted lawyers, leaders in matterial registronal sed out to be a second artistically prosed by Mr. Hopkins that it might alst have passed as comedy of the least
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hosen work. Mr. Fowler had been graduated from Miss Kummer, however, gave the audience continual novelty in the bright
speeches which she put into the mouths
of her characters. They all talked alike
in most cases. But there were lines
which drew their greatest force from
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Dramatic Interest Awaited.

this afternoon in the Church of the Resurrection. The guests included members
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and entering Princeton Mr. Fowler got his first taste of newspaper work by becoming the student correspondent at Princeton for The Sun and other newspapers. A staff man usually is sent from Manhattan to the college towns when big athletic events, commencement exercises or other collegiate happenings of importance are under way. But not to Princeton when Student Fowler was correspondent there; The Sun and other papers trusted him to report the happenings law, author of legal textbooks and a former Democratic leader of

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During the last part of his Princeton
years he took upon himself, in addition
to his studies and his daily newspaper
work, the job of secretary to President
Francis L. Patton of Princeton. Mr.
Fowler was graduated with the degree of
A. B. in the class of 1902 and then came
to New York and joined the staff of The
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While a student correspondent at Princeton Mr. Fowler was the author of a typical Sun yarn about the "growth" of hair on the plaster chin of a death mask of Napoleon which is treasured at Princeton. Scoffers came to Archie Fowler, whereupon he led them to the glass case in which the death mask reposed and upon which undoubtedly there were hairs that less observant eyes had overlooked. The yarn started a discussion and a subsequent investigation, which brought to light the fact that currents of air entering the glass case had caused strands of hair—used to bind the plaster casting material together more firmly—which had been lying flat upon the composition to free themselves and curl outward. learned societies, a professor and inspec-tor of studies in the College de Juilly and in the Massilion School. He was an officer of public instruction and member of the French Institute.

## Notable News Beat.

He had not been working in New York He had not been working in New York long when his superiors noted that he had a marked bent toward political and financial news. His selection to write the Armstrong insurance investigation reports came then as a matter of course. Thereafter when important news of a similar kind came along The Sun always called upon Archie Fowler to handle its contraction.

years of particularly efficient newspaper work were accorded him, but always the heart lesion was progressive until his death.

Through his years of uninterrupted labors his progressive illness did not prevent him from putting in as many hours of the day—and night—at hard work as his competitors, and then tacking on a few more hours nightly before calling it a day. In all that time few even of his intimate friends knew that he was suffering from an organic trouble.

Presidents His Friends.

Mr. Powler's entrance into the news and for national politics happened when he toured the United States with William H. Taft for The Sun in 1908. Then in February, 1910, he was sent to Washington to head The Sun's bureau there. When another election and inauguration came along—that of President Wilson in the morning of Marshall President Wilson in the morning

Wills, Joseph Vandeventer, Frederick 12. Mygatt, Jr., Henry Clay Irons, Jr., Huang Sing formerly was pro- and William G. Irons 2d, all of Plainweek late at the St. Louis convention Mr. Fowler, working as captain of the squad of Sun reporters sent to the convention, always was several jumps ahead of his coworkers in the matter of grasp of what was being done by political leaders, in analysis of events as they as head of the Chinese reform movement and progressed and in ability to pass on his knowledge in simple, forceful English.

His Great Chamee.

In all seriousness it may be said that the Armstrong insurance threstigation of 195-05 was relatively as important an event in Mr. Fowler's life work as it was in Charles E. Hughes's, loasmuch to China.

## J. C. WALLACE.

celebrated the twenty-second anniver-sary of their marriage. Cornelius L. Wells of Newark, cousing the bridegroom, was just man.

Montclair, Oct. 31.—Miss Vera Grace
Dwyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.
Thomas W. Dwyer of Ridgewood avenue,
Glen Ridge, was married to Horace
Bond Osborne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Sherman Osborne of Caldwell tonight in the Church of the Redeemer, Newark. The ceremony was
performed by the Rev. Henry R. Rose,
pastor of the church, assisted by the
Rev. John J. Moment of the High Street
Presbyterian Church, Newark. The
bride's attendants were her sister, Mrs.
John Howard Adams of Glen Ridge, as
matron of honor, and her, nieces, Misses
Suzanne Adams of Glen Ridge and Jane
Anderson of Maplewood, as flower girls. suttitional law, author of legal textbooks and a former Democratic leader of Delaware, died at his home here to-day. He was 72 years old. Under the Cleveland Administration Mr. Bates in 1888 was appointed special envoy in the negotiations with England and Germany over the ownership of the islands of Samoa. Anderson of Maplewood, as flower girls.

George A. Bechtel, a resident of Staten

Island for close to fifty years, died at his home on New York avenue, Rose-bank, yesterday. He was 75 years old, was born in Germany and had been in

the steamship business for many years,

Abbe Henri Thedvnat.

Paris, Oct. 31.—Abbe Henri Thedvnat, he archæologist, is **G**ead.

Henri Thedvnat was a cleric and an-

tiquarian and a native of La Rochelle, France, where he was born October 8, 1844. He studied at the Carmellte School. He was connected with many

NEWARK, N. J., Oct. 31 .- Henry Her-

pers, a retired member of Herpers Bros-one of the oldest jewelry manufacturing firms in the city, died early to-day at his home, 750 Clinton avenue. Mr. Her-

pers was born in this city August 27, 1858, and received his education in the

public schools. He leaves a widow, two

John W. Klaer.

CHICAGO, Oct. 31.-John W. Kiser, president of the Phoenix Horse Show

Company, owner of immense tracts of

FLANDERS-IRONS.

Bride's Mother and Father Cele-

brate Anniversary.

PLAINFIELD, N. J., Oct. 31.—The mar-riage of Miss Helen Irons, daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clay Irons, to William David Flanders, both of Plainfield, took place this afternoon in the Crescent

Avenue Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Dr. J. S. Zelle, pastor, performed the

Miss Katharine Shellabarger, cousin

Miss Katharine Sheliabarger, cousin of the bride, was the maid of honor, and the bridesimalds were Miss Elizabeth Browne, Miss Dorcas Bomann, Miss Helen Terry, Miss Louise Patterson and Miss Priscilla Fraker of this city and Miss Frances Todd of Summit George Yerkes was the best man, and the usbers were Carlyle Turner. Arthur

the ushers were Cartyle Turner, Arthur

nephews and two sisters.

to-day. He was 59 years old.

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